

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
ON APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD
OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re application of: Richard L. Davis
Serial No.: 10/044,430
Filing Date: January 11, 2002
Group Art Unit: 3693
Confirmation No.: 8533
Examiner: Sara M. Chandler
Title: Web-Based Method and Implementation for Procurement
Goods and Services

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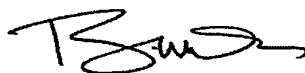
Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR STATUS

The above-identified patent application is currently on appeal before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Applicant received an Answer in response to the Appeal Brief filed on June 22, 2007. Applicant filed a Reply Brief on May 7, 2008. Since mailing the Reply Brief to the Board, Applicant has not heard anything further regarding this application. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests status of the present application, and in particular request notice of the approximate date on which the Board expects to issue a decision in this appeal.

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant, Brian W. Oaks, at 214.953.6986.

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